

Our Lady Wants You To Join

On May 13, 1917, Our Blessed Mother appeared to three children near Fatima in Portugal and made an appeal to them, "Would you like to offer yourselves to God, to make sacrifices, and to accept willingly all the sufferings it may please Him to send you ... for the conversion of sinners?"

One month later, July 13, Our Lady made the same appeal for sinners. This time she added a prayer the children were to repeat often, "Sacrifice yourself for sinners, and say often, especially when you make sacrifices: 'O Jesus, it is for love of You, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the offences committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.'"

During the same appearance of the Blessed Virgin on July 13, she gave the children a second prayer she wanted said after each decade of the rosary, "Oh, my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fire of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those who have most need of Your mercy."

On Agust 19, 1917, Our Lady appeared again to the children, Once more her request was the same -- for sinners: "Pray, pray very much, make sacrifices for sinners. Remember that many souls are lost because there is nobody to pray and to make sacrifices for them."

What Sacrifices Can You Offer?

A sacrifice often goes by other mames, "a trial," "a cross," "mortification," "humiliation," "suffering." Everyone's day is filled with opportunities to make sacrifices for sinners. It's a sacrifice for some people to get up promptly in the morning. Study is often a cross. Embarrassing moments in the classroom, little hurts that come from our friends, pains, headaches and disappointments are the sacrifices Our Lady wants us to accept cheerfully for the salvation of sinners. St. Therese, the Little Flower, used to say, "Pick up a pin from a motive of love, and you can save a soul."

Join the SINNERS CLUB right now. Simply resolve to offer your trials and tribulations for sinners, and you have been initiated. Choose the sinners you want to pray for: dying sinners, young boys about to commit their first mortal sin, abandoned sinners, people you have led into sin.

Our Lady needs you in her club. When you get to heaven she will introduce you to all the sinners you saved by your generosity.